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TWO CENTS.

## CONTRACTS COME SLOW

**Sugar Factory Needs  
Support of People.**

**Beets Are Required to  
Make a Success.**

**Company Now Settling  
With Contractors.**

E. F. Dyer, of Cleveland, one of the members of the firm which built the Wolverine sugar factory, is in the city settling with the directors of the company for the construction of the factory and its equipment.

It will be remembered that the contract specified that the factory should be ready for operation at a certain date and that a forfeit was attached of \$1,000 per day for every day after that date until the factory should start. This is one of the points being settled by Mr. Dyer and the company.

Mr. Dyer told THE NEWS that he did not know whether his firm would secure the contract for building any sugar plants this year or not and when asked how his firm could get a going by laying idle for a year, he replied:

"Building and equipping sugar factories is only a drop in the bucket in our business. We manufacture locomotives, printing presses and machinery of many kinds, giving employment to 1,500 men."

The contracts for beets for the Wolverine sugar company are coming in very slow. At the present time not 1,000 acres have been contracted, while six times that amount are needed. The company needs all the encouragement and moral support from the business men that is possible. While the farmers lost money, so did the sugar company. Stockholders will not receive a cent in dividends, unless bonds should be issued for that purpose, which is not likely. The season was not a fair test. The crop was only a third of an average and had the season been favorable the growers could have received three times what they did with scarcely any extra outlay. Some of the wheat growers did not receive back their seed last year but they will try it again. Experience with the crop will enable growers to raise a crop cheaper and to secure better results.

The beet industry, even in the unfavorable season of last year, has increased the value of some of the land in this vicinity. The Shaker farm was rented last year for beets at \$6 per acre, which is equivalent to giving the land a market value of \$100 per acre. The land which Messrs. Olney and Barnes have leased at McDonald they pay \$6 per acre, and that seems to be established price for good beet land.

It is understood that the company has been offered a bonus to move to Indiana where all the beet contracts wanted can be had without any coaxing. Benton Harbor does not want to lose it, neither do the farmers. With a good season this year the value of the crop for the grower and the manufacturer will be established and the year following there will be no trouble to secure beet contracts.

The farmers owe it to themselves and to the men who have spent more than a quarter of a million dollars in the factory here to give the industry a fair test.

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### THE WEATHER.

Partly cloudy tonight and Thursday with possibly snow south portion. Continued cold, brisk northwest winds.

### ALMOST A PANIC.

**Methodist Church Floor Gave Way at Coloma.**

The Methodist church at Coloma was packed with people yesterday to attend the funeral of Master Harvey Cook and Riley Kaigley.

While the funeral was in progress the floor settled nearly six inches and almost a panic ensued. Women screamed with terror and a rush was made for the door. Fortunately no one was hurt.

A furnace has been placed in the basement of the church and the center support gave way and allowed the floor drop.

### FALL PROVED FATAL.

**Mrs. Minnie Baushke Died Early This Morning.**

Mrs. Minnie Baushke, while visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Philip Klum, opened the wrong door and fell down cellar and as a result of her injuries she died this morning in spite of the best medical attendance.

Mrs. Baushke was 79 years of age and was well known in this community. The arrangements for the funeral have not as yet been made.

Later—The funeral will be Friday at 1 o'clock from the residence of Mr. Klum.

### RESCUE MISSION OFFICERS.

**Officers for the Ensuing Year Were Elected Yesterday.**

The board of directors of the Rescue Mission met yesterday afternoon and elected the following officers:

President, Rev. E. A. Hoffman.  
Secretary and treasurer, G. M. Thresher.

Superintendent, Rev. J. L. Shears.

The following committee was elected to arrange for an entertainment for the benefit of the mission: Mrs. Davis, Mrs. G. M. Thresher and Mrs. W. J. Cady.

The Methodist church has elected the following as members of the board: Rev. L. W. Earl, Mrs. J. S. Barker and Miss Helen Finch. J. O. Rowe represents the city at large.

The report of the superintendent showed that since the mission was organized that 1,023 articles have been distributed to the poor. Since January 1 relief has been given to 93 persons, mostly children, four sick persons have been relieved and the superintendent has made 43 visits. In these six weeks the following articles have been distributed: 6 pairs new shoes, 2 pairs new rubbers, 10 sacks of flour, 10 squashes, 14 cords of wood, 500 pounds of coal, 1 bale of straw, 14 bushels of potatoes, and \$4.79 spent in medicine and groceries. For funeral expenses the sum of \$11.50 was raised.

The work the mission has done has been a blessing to many a poor and afflicted family and the public should take pleasure in supporting it.

### ELI WILL GET HERE.

**Even If Trains Break Down He Will Not Fail.**

Eli Perkins, the famous American humorist has written the following characteristic letter to President Duerr of the senior class of the high school:

On the train in Pennsylvania, February 9. The Bureau wires me that I am to tell the absolute truth for two hours in Benton Harbor, Saturday, February 24.

Very well, I will be with you and will arrive on the 2.52 p. m. train from New Buffalo.

I never fail to be on hand when I lecture. If all the trains break down I will walk over from Chicago and let my truth and veracity follow on a freight.

They say all your freessilverites are walking now in Michigan and your roads are fine.

Mr. Perkins will lecture in the M. E. church, February 24, for benefit of the senior class of the high school.

### COUNTY SEAT.

Nora Crubb of Weesaw township has commenced divorce proceedings against her husband, Edward Crubb on the ground of non-support and desertion. The couple were married in 1895 and parted the second week after marriage.

Thomas Ferguson by his attorney L. C. Pyfe, has commenced suit against R. Frank Prescott, Phoebe Prescott and Allie S. Wells to recover \$239 which he claims is due him for material and labor on a house now occupied by Mr. Prescott.

### Slight Fire in School Building.

Burning soot from the chimney blew over into the ventilation shaft on top of the Central school building this forenoon and falling to the bottom of the ventilation box in the hall on the third floor burned a hole in the box half as large as your hand before being discovered. The presence of mind of the teachers on the third floor with the principal and the aid of one or two pupils soon stopped the blaze. Had the whole box been ablaze it could easily have been quenched by the use of the hand fire extinguisher on that floor without detriment to the other rooms.

## THE BIG STORE INCORPORATES

**Enders & Young Sells Shares to  
Employees.**

The firm of Enders & Young, operating the big department store on Main and Pipestone, was today succeeded in business by an incorporated company known as the Enders & Young company. The company has a capital of \$50,000, fully paid up and non-assessable.

The officers of the new company are: President, J. E. Enders; secretary and treasurer, Charles L. Young. The other stockholders are: William F. Rough of Watervliet, manager of the Watervliet store of Enders & Young; Miss Nettie Curry, the bookkeeper at the big store; Peter Dukescherer, Ed. Weaver and F. B. Moore, employed by the firm as salesmen.

The change is made in order that the employees of the firm may share in the profits. The business will be pushed more than ever before and another room will be added to the already large establishment.

### TO PREACH IN BRAZIL.

**St. Joseph Minister Left This Morning.**

Rev. Heinrich Schwenninger, pastor of St. Joseph church, left this morning for an extended tour through a country and will remain in a few months and go to Brazil where he will assist in the mission work in that country and also preach and do the work of an evangelist.

On Monday evening the ladies of the German Baptist church in St. Joseph surprised the minister and left a token of their good will an envelope containing several gold pieces.

### THIS CITY A MODEL.

**Held Up as a Pattern for Other Towns to Follow.**

Owosso Argus: Benton Harbor has raised the amount required \$50,000 and secured the location of the large J. V. Farwell factory. Within the last six months Benton Harbor has given \$14,000 in bonuses. The result is a \$50,000 opera house and a factory that agrees its pay roll shall be a thousand dollars a day. When Owosso gets ready to pay for them, she can secure additional industries, but not this time. Capitalists will not locate in Owosso without a bonus when other towns are giving them.

### BAND CONCERT NEXT WEEK.

**Null's Military Band Preparing a Fine Program.**

Null's military band will give a concert at Conkey's hall next Tuesday evening, February 20. This will be the best concert of the kind ever given here. The program will consist of heavy overtures, descriptive pieces, Spanish waltzes and new marches.

The following soloists will play: Fred Pike, trombone; Thomas Armstrong, clarinet; Prof. Parreant, violin; cornet duet, Profs. Null and Ferguson. Vonna Fitzgerald will sing and Miss Ida Edgecombe will recite. The admission fee has been fixed at only 25 cents. 11614

### Almost a Miracle.

Mr. J. H. Miller of Chenango Forks, N. Y., says: "I suffered for fifty years with piles and despaired of ever being cured until I tried Dr. Chase's Ointment. One box cured me perfectly." Dr. Chase's Ointment guaranteed to cure piles, eczema, and all skin diseases. 50 cents, all druggists, or Dr. A. W. Chase Med. Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Free sample box sent on receipt of stamp.

DRS. M. E. and R. W. Ingenfriz have opened their office in the Center block, room 4. They are osteopaths. 11576

### Feeding Rice to a Buffalo.

A characteristic scene in our new islands is the feeding rice (chow-chow) to the buffaloes. This labor is performed by the Chinese, who abound in the islands and who perform the feeding in a thoroughly oriental manner. The animals have a ring run through the nose and a rope attached. The almond-eyed driver catches hold of the rope near the nose of the buffalo and forces up his head, with the other hand inserting a piece of bamboo filled with rice into the mouth of the animal and pouring its contents down the mouth of the beast. The huge creatures seem to like the rice, for they quietly submit to this rough handling, so as to obtain what to them must be a great delicacy. —Chicago Tribune.

### Queen Set the Fashion.

Wilhelmina, the young queen of Holland, wore a necklace recently that attracted much attention. It was a long gold chain of medium thickness, attached to which was a snake about eight inches in length, coiled around the chain. The head was made of a magnificent diamond, and the flexible body was composed of various stones so closely set that not a bit of gold showed, the colors giving a realistic effect of scales. It was said at the time that no matter how many times she changed her gown in a day, she was never seen without the chain. Romances were immediately surmised, but nothing was arrived at. The charm became known as the "Dutch snake," and imitations were demanded at once. —Buffalo Commercial.

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# FIGHTING IS SEVERE.

Hot Work Between British and Boers Near Colesburg.

FORMER WITHDRAWS TO RENSBURG.

No Estimate of the Losses on Either Side—All Eyes on Lord Roberts' Movement to Relieve Kimberley.

London, Feb. 14.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Rensburg, dated Tuesday, says:

"There has been hard fighting for two days near Colesburg, the Boers making strenuous efforts to outflank the British left. The enemy occupies strong positions from Achtengat, through Potfontein, to a point five miles south of Jansfontein. The fighting at the outpost camp has been very severe during the last few days. Monday the Boers attacked the position of the Worcesters, to the southeast of Colesburg. Fighting continued all day, and after dark it was considered necessary to withdraw to Rensburg. Our losses are not yet known. On the left the West Australians, Wiltshires and Berkshires had not fighting, but held their positions against long odds. The Boers' losses were considerable. Owing to the growing difficulty experienced by convoys in reaching the camps, all of the latter were evacuated Monday night, and the troops withdrew to Rensburg. The Boers are burning the farms of the loyalists, but the latter have contrived to get away with their stock."

Boers' Latest Stroke.  
London, Feb. 14.—The news of the day is the enforced retirement of the British from the Colesburg district, under heavy Boer pressure and probably after brisk fighting. Thus, at a time when Lord Roberts is apparently about

came, for the first time, through Lord Roberts, showing that all the different operations over the wide field will hereafter be more completely coordinated. It is now known that the military attaches have gone to join Lord Roberts at the Modder river; another move precluding an advance.

Rhodes' Friends Alarmed.  
The friends of Cecil Rhodes are becoming alarmed at his possible fate, and have sent an emissary to see Dr. Leyds, the diplomatic agent of the Boers in Europe, in regard to the probable course the Boers would pursue in the event of his capture. Dr. Leyds assured the intermediaries that the Boers did not intend to kill Mr. Rhodes, but, he added, they would certainly hold him as a hostage until the indemnity for the Jameson raid was paid. In view of the developments since the raid, the Boers have also decided to double the amount of the indemnity demanded, so Mr. Rhodes' friends will have to hand over £2,000,000 (\$10,000,000) before he is released.

AN AWFUL TRAGEDY.  
Three Inmates of a Florida Farm-house Murdered by Unknown Thieves.

Jack-onville, Fla., Feb. 14.—At two o'clock Tuesday afternoon the bodies of Mrs. Rosana Roberts, a widow, aged 76 years, her son, G. T. Roberts, a bachelor, aged 53, and Miss Jennie Roberts, a daughter, aged 51, were found murdered at their home about seven miles west of here. The body of the old lady was discovered in her bed, her head split open with an ax. The body of the son was found half out of the bed as if he had attempted to rise, and a shotgun broken half in two by the side of the

# HE LIVED ON METAL.

Twenty-One Pounds of It Found in John Fasel's Stomach.

Remarkable Discovery by New York Physicians Concerning the Appetite of a Would-be "Human Ostrich."

Twenty-one pounds of old iron was the internal ballast which John Fasel thought he needed in order to become a successful actor, says the New York Journal.

Fasel is now a patient in St. John's hospital, at Albany and Atlantic avenues, Brooklyn. He is slowly recovering from a surgical operation, which was rendered necessary by the amount of hardware he had taken in his desire to become either an actor or a successful "freak."

The surgeons who operated upon him say that they never had so strange a case in the wards. Here is a list of the material which was removed from Fasel's stomach by Dr. Hopkins, of St. John's hospital:

- One brass chain, three feet long.
- One brass watch.
- Two hundred and sixty common pins.
- One brass chain, one and three-quarters yard long.
- One nicked chain, three feet two inches long.
- One nicked chain, three feet long.
- Ten horseshoe nails.
- Twelve iron nails, each 2 1/2 inches long.
- Six big hairpins.
- Two door keys.
- One large initial ring.
- One brass express check.
- One buttonhook.
- One glass prism from chandelier.
- One pocketknife.
- Mass of conglomerate, consisting of fine wire, needles and pins.

The surgeons of St. John's hospital thought they had to do with a dime museum freak when Fasel went to the operating table. They think so still, for that matter, for Fasel, either through weakness or unwillingness,



JOHN FASEL AND HIS DIET.

has not confided to the hospital authorities the real facts in his case. Fasel is not a dime museum freak. He has never appeared in any museum in his life.

His reason for embarking upon the career of a human ostrich may be summed up in one word—Ambition.

Fasel is a German by birth and a tailor by occupation. He was dissatisfied with his trade, at which he could earn but eight dollars a week.

He wanted to be an actor. He yearned to earn more money. He wished to be able to give his mother a new suite of parlor furniture and a big mirror in a gold frame.

He thought that to become an actor it was only necessary to do some startlingly original thing. He had heard that a prize fighter had become an actor; that a man who jumped from the Brooklyn bridge had no difficulty in obtaining a theatrical engagement.

From these premises, Fasel argued, through some extraordinary train of reasoning, that a "freak" performance was the best and most direct road to the stage, and he cast about for a desirable "attraction."

In his boyhood he had frightened his mother by swallowing big peach stones. In spite of the dire things predicted for him, he had never suffered inconvenience from this practice, and so he decided that he would make a bid for theatrical fame by becoming a human ostrich, a swallower of glass, nails, pins and old iron.

It was just 14 weeks ago that he decided upon this career, and he went into training at once. He began by swallowing a number of his mother's hairpins and some wire nails.

"On the night of December 16," said Dr. Hopkins, who operated on Fasel, "he told me he swallowed 320 pins. By that time he was able to form some sort of an idea how many pins Fasel swallowed during the entire 14 weeks."

"Unfortunately there are still plenty in his body, but they are scattered through the intestines. The lot which I took out of his stomach"—here Dr. Hopkins took down from his desk a glass jar filled with keys, chains, nails and pins—"were all clogged in a heap, and they showed up as a dark blotch in the X-ray investigation. They were weighty enough to put the man's stomach out of place."

The operation was performed in the presence of a number of well-known physicians, all of whom were given an idea of the nature of the proposed operation.

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OOM PAUL'S VALENTINE TO QUEEN VICTORIA.

to push an army into the Free State, the Boers make a counter-stroke in unknown but seemingly great force, not far from the vital line of railway connecting De Aar and Orange river. Military observers do not regard this as more than a menace. Nevertheless the news produces an unpleasant impression here. Gen. French had maneuvered the Boers out of Rensburg in December. On January 1 it was reported that he could take Colesburg in two days with reinforcements. These were sent, but the Boers were also reinforced. Since then the British lines have been extended east and west, so that at the opening of this week they constituted a great horseshoe, 25 miles in length. The lines were not continuous, but all the strong positions were held. Gen. French, when he joined Lord Roberts, presumably took most of his cavalry. Gen. Clements was left with the infantry to hold the Boers in check, but Commandant Delancy, with a double turning movement, has compelled the British to concentrate at Rensburg, beside threatening Lord Roberts' communications.

## Can't Hold Rensburg.

London, Feb. 14.—A dispatch to the Evening News from Rensburg says severe fighting occurred during the British retreat, the various outposts on both sides suffering heavy losses. The dispatch adds it is doubtful if Rensburg can be held.

## Roberts Promises Relief.

London, Feb. 14.—An undated dispatch from Mafeking, via Gaberones, February 2, says:

"Col. Baden-Powell has received a communication from Lord Roberts promising that relief would be sent in a few weeks. The food will last. The garrison is going as ever. The Boers have expressed their intention not to fight, but to starve us out. All well."

## British Casualties.

London, Feb. 14.—A revised list of the British casualties at Potgieter's Rift from February 5 to February 7 shows: Killed, 26; wounded, 319; missing, 5.

## All Eyes on Roberts.

London, Feb. 14.—The cessation of war news from South Africa is taken to indicate that the British preparations for a move from Modder river are about completed and that important events can be anticipated within a few days. Interest centers almost wholly upon Field Marshal Roberts, especially since Gen. Buller's report of his withdrawal from Vaal Krantz

had showed that he had attempted to defend himself. The body of the daughter was found under the house, where she had taken refuge. Evidence showed that she had been followed and struck two heavy blows with an ax. The family was well-to-do and highly respected. The nearest house was one mile and a quarter from their home. The bodies were discovered by a neighbor who stopped to get a drink of water and seeing no life about, made an investigation.

Trunks and drawers were ransacked, but what was taken has not been discovered, as money and other valuables were found where the robbers and murderers had worked. There is no trace to the perpetrators of the crime, but poses are ransacking the woods in the vicinity. The crime must have been committed late Monday night.

## HAS SEVEN CLUBS.

American Baseball Association Is Formally Organized—One More Club Wanted.

Chicago, Feb. 14.—At a stormy session at the Great Northern hotel the new American Baseball association was formally organized, with seven clubs, Tuesday. John McGraw and Phil Peterson, of Baltimore, were appointed a committee to secure the eighth city. As the circuit now stands it includes Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Louis, Louisville, Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore. It was the expectation of those present that Washington would complete the eighth club of the circuit. The work of making the constitution and adopting by-laws will not be completed for a day or two. Adrian C. Anson was chosen president, and Philip Peterson, of Baltimore, secretary-treasurer.

## Officers Stay by Ship.

New York, Feb. 14.—The life saving crew of Bay Head took off 25 of the crew of the ship County of Edinburgh, which went ashore Monday night near Manasquan life saving station. The captain and officers (nine all told) remain on board.

## Severely Punished.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 14.—A jury in the criminal court gave Ed Simms, a negro footpad, a 40 year sentence in the penitentiary for snatching a white woman's pocketbook. Two jurors wanted to give him a life sentence.

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THERE are now many cities who are looking at Benton Harbor as a model worthy to follow. This is a more happy distinction than to be known as a town so dead that even the mention of the name suggests ghosts. There are such towns, but for fear of arousing some bad feelings we will not give a list of them.

THE president has appointed William G. Thompson of Detroit to represent Michigan at the Paris exposition. If the good people of Michigan could have had a word to say about it they would rather have been unrepresented. The Paris people are likely to get the idea that Michigan is worse than France. But then no one should complain. Senator McMillan had to pay Thompson for the political work he has done in Detroit, in the interests of the senior senator.

HENRY Clay Frick has brought suit against Andrew Carnegie claiming that the latter is trying to queer him out of \$10,000,000. The public will have little sympathy for either one of the parties to the suit. Frick set up in his declaration that the Carnegie steel company made a clean profit of \$21,000,000 last year and the estimated profits for 1900 are \$40,000,000. When the poor laborers at Homestead wanted a living wage a few years ago the great steel company claimed that it was doing business on such a close margin that it could not raise the wages of its men. Now that the thieves have fallen out honest people will get a chance to see the books which were refused when arbitration of the strike was talked of. No wonder the company didn't want to arbitrate.

**Hygienic Telephone Stations.**

The word is reported in a health journal that in Vienna hygienic telephone stations have been constructed in which, before entering, the girls employed are obliged to change their street costumes for dresses and shoes that are dust free and will not stir up the dust. It has been found, it seems, that dust injures telephones and interferes with their perfect working. This should be the best sort of object lesson to women. If the little dust that is stirred in a sheltered room by skirts and shoes injures a piece of wood and iron mechanism, what must the wholesome allowance of dust from the dirty streets do to the delicate tissues of the human lung? Yet the trailing skirt of the street costume will not go one inch, one-half inch even, until capricious, arbitrary and unheeding fashion so decrees.—N. Y. Post.

**Pickled Butternuts and Walnuts.**

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Account of Mardi Gras, New Orleans, La., and Mobile, Ala., Big Four will sell tickets February 19 to 26, good returning March 15, at \$25.87 to New Orleans and \$24.87 to Mobile, Ala., To Detroit, Mich. Tickets sold February 20 and morning of February 21. Good returning February 22, one fare. Ann Arbor, Mich. Tickets sold February 26 and 27, good returning March 1. One fare for the round trip.  
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Senator from Iowa Talks for the Financial Bill.

CLOSE ATTENTION IS PAID TO HIM.

Regarded as Representing Attitude of the Republicans Toward the Measure—Other News from the Capital.

Washington, Feb. 14.—The financial debate in the senate reached its climax Tuesday. Two great speeches, one in favor of the pending senate substitute measure and the other in opposition to it were delivered, and both were listened to by senators with close attention. The first was delivered by Senator Allison (Ia.), the ranking member of the finance committee. He had been an attentive listener to the speeches delivered on the other side of the chamber, and in the course of his argument he presented his answers to the points raised against the pending senate bill. He was accorded unusual attention, as it was fully realized that he represented the attitude of the republican side of the chamber.

Senator Allison said he did not propose to enter upon a general discussion of the financial questions that had been more or less considered during the past 25 years. By the pending measure it was proposed to deal with the currency question in a large and general way. Senator Allison referred to the senate substitute for the house bill, and said there was no proposition to change the existing currency—gold and silver certificates, greenbacks, treasury notes and national bank notes.

Senator Allison said that from 1792 to 1873 this country had a double standard of value. He said that since the enactment of the law of 1873 there had not passed current a single dollar of any kind of United States money that was not on absolute parity with the gold dollar. The passage of this bill would practically reenact the provisions of the law of 1873.

Senator Jones (Nev.) declared that the bill was vicious and unwarranted, conferring too great power upon national banks and fastening the country to a gold currency. He discussed the question from a historical and philosophic viewpoint. To-day the senate will begin the consideration of the bill and amendments under the ten-minute rule.

**The Clark Case.**

Washington, Feb. 14. The senate committee on privileges and elections on Tuesday concluded its hearing of Mr. Neill, in the Clark investigation and also heard Mr. William McDermott, another of the close friends and staunch supporters of Mr. Clark in his contest for the senate before the Montana legislature last winter. Probably the most interesting testimony of the day was a statement made by Mr. McDermott to the effect that Mr. Clark had made him a present of \$5,000 after his election to the senate to pay McDermott for his services in the contest. He also testified that he had expended about \$5,000 in his private and senatorial expenses, a major portion of this money having been received from Mr. Clark's son, in the witness contended that it was all sent for legitimate purposes.

**The Pacific Cable.**

Washington, Feb. 14.—The house committee on interstate and foreign commerce Tuesday decided by a vote of 8 to 5 to report a Pacific cable bill along the lines of the Sherman bill defeating by 5 to 3 the Corliss proposition for a government ownership.

The vote in the committee does not commit the committee to the Sherman bill as drawn, but only to the general idea which it contains—private ownership with a government subsidy for 20 years. The bill was taken up by the committee, but little progress was made. The bill authorizes the postmaster general to contract with an American cable company for the payment by the United States of not to exceed \$100,000 per year for 20 years for the transmission of government messages from the Pacific coast to Honolulu, Guam, Manila, Hong-Kong, and such points in Japan as the contractor with the approval of the government of Japan may select.

**Hear Both Sides.**

Washington, Feb. 14. The senate committee on woman suffrage gave a hearing Tuesday to delegations from the woman suffrage convention and the anti-suffragists. The suffragists were introduced by Miss Susan B. Anthony. Mrs. Clara B. Colby, Mrs. Rachel Foster, Mrs. Mary C. Bradford, Mrs. Harriet S. Black and Mrs. Chapman Catt spoke, and were followed by Mrs. Dodge and Miss Bissell, of Delaware, for the anti-suffragists.




At the conclusion of the hearing before the senate committee both sides appeared before the house committee on Wednesday. After the hearing had proceeded for some time sharp differences developed between the two sides, and in order to avoid a controversy the committee adjourned.

**Woman Suffrage for Iowa.**

Des Moines, Ia., Feb. 14.—The house committee on suffrage reported, without opposition, the resolution looking to a constitutional amendment to admit women to vote on the same terms as men. The committee was not unanimously for the measure, but opposition was withdrawn in order to get the measure on the floor, where the fight will be made. The suffragists claim they will pass it in the house, but are not so confident of the senate.

**Died from Shock.**

New York, Feb. 14.—Carver B. Cline, a well-known theatrical manager, formerly manager for Joseph Jefferson, died Monday night from shock following the amputation of a leg.



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### CONGRESSMAN IS KILLED.

Tragic End to the Life of C. A. Chickering, Member of House from New York.

New York, Feb. 14.—Congressman Charles A. Chickering, of Copenhagen, N. Y., was found dead outside the Grand Union hotel in this city. He had either fallen or jumped from a fourth-story window of the hotel.

The body of Mr. Chickering was found on the sidewalk of the Forty-first street side of the hotel, under the open window of his room, which was on the fourth floor, by a milkman who was driving through the street at five a. m. Evidently it had been lying there for some time, as the clothing was saturated with rain. It was clothed in underwear, socks, night shirt, trousers and vest. There was a bad gash in the right side of the head.

Mr. Chickering had been in the hotel all day Monday. He had complained considerably of rheumatism, but nothing irrational in his actions had been observed by those at the hotel.

A dispatch to the press from Albany says that Mr. Chickering's friends there have been aware that for some time he was afflicted with melancholia, following a severe attack of typhoid fever.

The speculation about the manner of death led to the conjecture that the members have been seized by a fit of temporary insanity from the pain of the rheumatism and have jumped out of the window in the night or that he had been a suicidalist and had jumped out of the window and landed over the fire escape. The body will be taken to Copenhagen for burial.

Washington, Feb. 14.—Members of congress were shocked at the news of Representative Chickering's violent death in New York city. Mr. Chickering was one of the well-known and universally esteemed men in the house, although a long illness had kept him away from his associates during the present session. He was last seen here when the vote on the financial bill was taken. He insisted on coming on crutches in order to record his vote for the bill.

The members of the New York delegation held a meeting as soon as they were apprised of Representative Chickering's death and appropriate resolutions were drafted for presentation to the house. The dead member's desk was draped and wreathed in flowers when the house met at noon. The blind chaplain in his invocation referred feelingly to the loss the house had suffered.

The resolutions prepared by the New York delegation were then adopted and the following committee was appointed to attend the funeral:

Messrs. Sherman (N. Y.), Babcock (Wis.), Cummings (N. Y.), Littauer (N. Y.), De Graffenreid (Tex.), Davidson (Wis.), Gillett (N. Y.), Alexander (N. Y.) and Otis (Va.).

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"He won't respect her one bit."

"And what makes you think that, my dear?"

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## Anti-Trust Conference Denounces the Financial Measure.

Chicago, Feb. 14.—Resolutions denouncing the financial bill passed by the national house of representatives and now before the senate were sprung on the anti-trust conference Tuesday when Judge Beeman had finished speaking and were adopted by a rising vote.

### STRONG RESOLUTIONS ARE ADOPTED.

They Are at Once Telegraphed to the Senate in Washington—Synopsis of Platform Adopted by the Committee.

After setting forth the evils to follow the enactment of such a bill into law, the resolutions go on to say: "Now, therefore, be it resolved that this conference hereby utters its most solemn protest against this most infamous measure."

"And be it further resolved, that the chairman of this conference is hereby instructed to appoint a committee of seven members to prepare a memorial against said outrage, and who shall be requested to go to the capital of the nation for the purpose of presenting this protest to both houses of congress of the United States."

"And be it further resolved, that we warn the people of the United States of this new menace to their liberty, and call upon them everywhere to meet together at their court-houses and in their school-houses and other public places, and there thunder their protest against the most audacious, dangerous and oppressive measure ever presented to a legislative body by a set of conspirators."

The resolutions were presented by Judge Fleming, of Kentucky.

The passage of the resolution was followed by a motion that the resolution be telegraphed to the senate. It was carried by the same vote that had placed the convention on record against the currency bill.

Frank S. Monnett, former attorney general of Ohio, was made permanent chairman of the conference.

At the afternoon session a number of speeches were made. Delegate Robert A. Neff, of Oklahoma, presented resolutions which were unanimously adopted asking that congress extend to settlers upon government lands the same advantages that had been given to railroad corporations, and grant said settlers free homes by the immediate passage of the free home bill now pending in congress.

The night session was in the form of a mass meeting, held at the Auditorium, and brought out some of the strongest speakers among the delegates, including John P. Altgeld, F. S. Monnett, Samuel M. Jones, John S. Crosby, George Fred Williams and Tom L. Johnson.

The committee on resolutions, after a stormy session, finally agreed upon a report which will be submitted to the conference for adoption this morning. The discussion was caused by a difference of opinion among the members as to the details of how the government should obtain control of railroad, telegraph and telephone lines. Finally John P. Altgeld suggested a compromise which brought the warring factions together. The provision denying the value of franchise right was stricken out, and an amendment was substituted declaring that owners should receive just compensation for all property taken, irrespective of watered stock or other fictitious securities.

The platform declares for government ownership of all public utilities and natural monopolies; for government money; the referendum, direct legislation and withdrawal of all protective tariffs from all articles controlled by trusts.

The address to the public urges all citizens "who oppose the industrial combinations commonly known as trusts to organize at once to deprive these combinations of their power."

### Anti-Trust Bill Passed

Jackson, Miss., Feb. 14.—The Cox anti-trust bill passed the lower house Tuesday by an almost unanimous vote. The bill is very broad and designed to include all classes of corporations between which agreements or mutual understandings regarding prices exist. Civil and criminal penalties are imposed for violation.

### BIG FIGURES.

Frick Tells of Enormous Profits of Carnegie Steel Company—Made \$21,000,000 in One Year.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Feb. 14.—Henry Clay Frick fired his opening gun in the legal battle for millions against Andrew Carnegie Tuesday afternoon, in the court of common pleas, No. 1, of Allegheny county, when his attorneys filed a bill in equity against the Carnegie Steel company. The suit abounds in startling figures. It is stated that last year the Carnegie Steel company made a clear profit of \$21,000,000. Andrew Carnegie, it is alleged, has stated his belief that he could sell the business in London for \$500,000,000. The suit shows that the issue between Frick and Mr. Carnegie is \$10,000,000. Frick values his holdings at \$16,238,000, while Carnegie offers him \$6,000,000. Frick asks, in the event of failing to get a settlement with Mr. Carnegie, that a receiver be appointed to take charge of the company's affairs.

### Will Consolidate.

New York, Feb. 14.—Wall street has received practical confirmation of the report current for some time that it had been decided to consolidate the Troy steel works, the Bessemer steel works and the Rensselaer iron works, with a capital of \$17,000,000. The banking house of J. P. Morgan & Co. will probably finance the consolidation. It is said that it is proposed to erect at once a shipbuilding plant in or near this city. The total output of the amalgamated companies will be about 250,000 tons of iron and steel a year.

## Several republican congressmen have free trade with Porto Rico.

Eighty-two pictures in the Henry Hilton collection in New York sold at auction for \$56,465.

Cuban sugar planters accuse the railroad officials of working against the good of the people.

The Illinois branch of United Mine Workers is holding its annual session at Springfield.

King Leopold and Emperor William have agreed to form a syndicate to explore Chinese territory.

Manufacturers and merchants urge Cullom's proposed amendment of the interstate commerce law.

The German foreign office will not interfere in the Nicaraguan canal, regarding it as an American enterprise.

Troops embarking at Cork for South Africa were greeted with cheers for Kruger and groans for the queen.

The English postmaster general announces that the parcels post agreement with the United States is nearly ready.

More than 17,000 passenger and freight cars and 120 locomotives have been ordered by 29 railroads, the cost amounting to \$13,200,000.

No attempt will be made to push the subsidy bill at this session of congress, although it may be reported favorably by committees.

Thousands of dollars were found sewed in the tattered clothes of old Sam Bewick, an open board of trade operator in Chicago, who died a charity patient.

A tremendous reception was given Prince Henry on his return to Berlin from the Asiatic squadron. The kaiser made a speech, declaring it showed Germany's naval ambitions.

The customs commissioner of the French chamber of deputies has concluded hearing the various delegations of agricultural and industrial bodies who gave their views regarding the Franco-American reciprocity treaty. They were almost unanimous against it, only a few associations interested in French exports to the United States speaking in its favor.

### TO SUCCEED MISS ANTHONY.

Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, of New York, Elected President of Woman's Suffrage Association.

Washington, Feb. 14.—The National American Woman's Suffrage association on Tuesday elected Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, of New York, president of the association for the ensuing year, to succeed Susan B. Anthony, who has been active in the battle for woman suffrage for nearly half a century, and declined a reelection to office.

Mrs. Blake, who had been urged by many of her friends to become a candidate for the office, withdrew her name before any nomination was made. With the exception of the president, all of the old officers were re-elected as follows: Vice president, Miss Anna How and Shaw; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Rachael Foster Avery; recording secretary, Mrs. Alice Stone Blackwell; treasurer, Mrs. Harriet Taylor Upton; auditors, Miss Laura Clay and Miss Catherine Waugh McClatchey.

The retirement of Miss Anthony caused genuine and heartfelt regret among the members of the association, and when the announcement of the vote naming her successor was made many of them wept.

### THE MARKETS.

Grain, Provisions, Etc.

Chicago, Feb. 13. WHEAT—Higher. May sold early at 65 1/2c, advanced steadily to 66c, back to 65 1/2c; July ranged at 65 1/2c to 66c, split to 65 1/2c to 66c.

CORN—Higher. Cash quoted at 33 1/2c to 34c; May sold at 34 1/2c to 35c; July at 34 1/2c to 35c.

OATS—Strong. May, 23 1/2c to 24c; July, 22 1/2c to 23c.

RYE—Steady but quiet. No 2 cash, 55c; No. 3 about 54c, and No. 4, 53c. Very choice lots by sample bring more. May delivery, 54 1/2c to 55c.

BARLEY—Firm and fair sale. Screenings, 31 1/2c; feed or export, 31c. If good weight, low grade malting, 30 1/2c; good, 30c; and choice to fancy, 31 1/2c.

MESS PORK—Offerings were free and demand moderately active. Prices quotable at 10 1/2c to 11c for regular, and 10 1/2c to 11c for May, and 11 1/2c to 12c for July.

LARD—Demand only fair, and offerings fairly liberal. Prices quotable at 10 1/2c to 11c for regular, 10 1/2c to 11c for May, and 11 1/2c to 12c for July.

SHORT RIB SIDES—Offerings rather liberal, and demand fairly active. Prices quotable at 10 1/2c to 11c for cash, according to weight, 10 1/2c to 11c for May, and 11 1/2c to 12c for July.

POTATOES—Market steady. Trade saws, Rose, 15 1/2c; Burbank, 14 1/2c. Peerless and Hebrons, 12 1/2c; Kings, 12 1/2c; mixed, 12 1/2c.

EGGS—Market ruling quiet. Loss off, cases returned, fresh eggs, 12c, held fresh eggs, quotable at 12 1/2c, new laid, new cases included, quotable 12 1/2c.

BUTTER—Market good. Creameries, extra, 24 1/2c per pound; firsts, 24 1/2c; seconds, 24 1/2c; thirds, 24 1/2c; imitation creameries, 17 1/2c.

LIVE POULTRY—Ruling firm. Turkeys, 10 1/2c; Chickens, 9c; Ducks, 8c per pound. Geese, 10 1/2c to 11c.

New York, Feb. 13. FLOUR—Held a little higher on the advance in wheat, business ruled fairly active for the choice brands of spring and winter.

WHEAT—Spot strong. No. 2 red, 77 1/2c; options closed at 78 1/2c, net advanced, with near month's strongest. March, 77 1/2c; closed 77 1/2c. May, 75 1/2c to 76 1/2c, closed 76 1/2c. July, 75 1/2c to 76 1/2c, closed 76 1/2c.

CORN—Spot firm. No. 2, 45 1/2c, options closed steady at 46c, net advanced. May, 45 1/2c to 46c, closed 46c. July, 44 1/2c to 45 1/2c, closed 45 1/2c.

OATS—Spot firm. No. 2, 24c; No. 3, 23 1/2c; No. 4, 23 1/2c. No. 2 white, 24 1/2c; track white, 24 1/2c; mixed, 24 1/2c; and steady.

### Live Stock.

Chicago, Feb. 13. HOGS—Market was active, and firm. Prices were a shade higher. 8 1/2c for good, 8 1/2c for choice, 8 1/2c for light, 8 1/2c for heavy, 8 1/2c for mixed, and 8 1/2c for heavy packing, 8 1/2c for mixed, and 8 1/2c for heavy packing and shipping lots.

CATTLE—Market rather active, and feeling steady. Prices quotable unchanged. Quotations ranged at 8 1/2c to 9c for choice to extra steers; 8 1/2c to 9c for good to choice do.; 8 1/2c to 9c for fair to good do.; 8 1/2c to 9c for common to medium do.; 8 1/2c to 9c for butchers' steers; 8 1/2c to 9c for fed Western steers; 8 1/2c to 9c for feeding steers; 8 1/2c to 9c for cows; 8 1/2c to 9c for heifers; 8 1/2c to 9c for bulls and oxen; 8 1/2c to 9c for stags; 8 1/2c to 9c for Texas steers, and 8 1/2c to 9c for Veal Calves.

SHEEP—Market rather active. Feeling strong. Prices 10c higher. Quotations ranged at 4 1/2c to 5c for Westerns; 4 1/2c to 5c for Natives; 4 1/2c to 5c for Western Lambs, and 4 1/2c to 5c for native Lambs.

## GOING NORTH.

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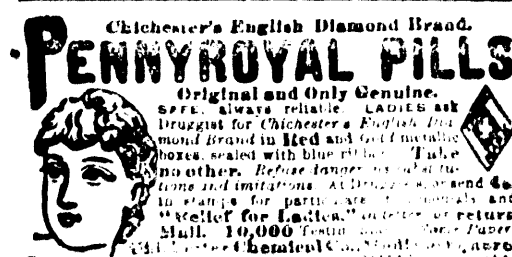
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## SIX NINETY-SIX MAIN.

"It's strange," said a blue-eyed "central" to a "central" with gray-green eyes, "that no one ever calls up 696 on this circuit. The 'phone has been in three or four months now, and I test the wire regularly every morning, but there is no further communication with the house day in and day out."

"Who answers when you call?" inquired the girl with gray-green eyes.  
"A man— His voice sounds as though he were old. I suppose it is Mr. Rumford himself."

"Rumford, you say?"  
"George Whitman Rumford. That's his whole name. I looked him up in the city directory. No place of business is given. There is no occupation mentioned in connection with his name."

"My goodness, he is a mystery!" cried the girl with the gray-green eyes.  
The weeks went by. From time to time the girl with gray eyes would say to Lida Nelson, the girl with blue eyes:

"Has 696 been called yet?"

"Never," said Miss Nelson.

One day Miss Nelson, against all rules and regulations, attempted a diversion.

"It is an electrical sort of a morning," she observed. "It makes the voice sound unnatural over the wire."

There was an accent of eagerness in the voice that repined.

"It does, indeed," observed 696, "but don't you think voice always sounds a little strange in the telephone?"

Miss Nelson was quite aware that she had no right to continue the conversation, but she had held her curiosity in check for months in the face of a mystery, and she could endure it no longer.

"You do not use your 'phone much," she said, politely.

"No, no," responded the voice somewhat sadly. "I'm not acquainted in the city. I haven't much use for a telephone, it is true. But it's a great invention. I enjoy it very much when you call me up in the morning. I can see what a great convenience it would be if I wanted to ask anything of anybody."

There was something so wistful in the voice that Miss Nelson made no apology to herself for the tears that came in her eyes.

It was a monotonous life that she led. It had not much happiness in it and no romance. So it was not surprising that she endeavored to probe this, her first mystery.

She took the pains one Sunday afternoon when she was at leisure to call at the house of George Whitman Rumford to make an inquiry about a fictitious address. The house was new, and of red sandstone, elegant and plain, and the yard, the walk, and the steps were in a condition of scrupulous neatness. A young colored man answered the door. Miss Nelson, flushing at her decent, made her inquiry in a loud tone of voice. As she had hoped and expected, this brought an elderly gentleman out of the library.

"What is it the lady wants to know, John? Can I be of any assistance, madam?"

Miss Nelson, hating herself for her duplicity, repeated the question.

"I really can be of no assistance to you," he said. "I know so few persons in the neighborhood. But if you will do me the honor to come in and wait I will send down out to make inquiries."

"O, no, no!" protested Miss Nelson. "I shall have to give up trying to find my friends. I think. It is evidently a mistake. It is sometimes hard to locate one's friends in a city like this."

"I'm sorry, I suppose. Unfortunately, I have no friends here."

"No, I have recently come here. I have a few friends in a distant town, but I thought I would like to see what life in the city was like."

"I have built this house. Won't you step in a moment and look at it? I take great pleasure out of it. The postman, today, stopped in the other day and looked at it, and he admired it much."

Miss Nelson hesitated between prudence and amiability, and then, casting a cautious eye to the winds, she went in. A prim, expensive, exquisitely neat, and altogether unlike the interior met her view.

"I had to do it quite alone," explained Mr. Rumford. "I dare say, a lady can discover many deficiencies in it, and I should be glad of suggestions."

"You must find it pleasant living on the boulevard," said Miss Nelson.

"O, very, very! So many people go by. I would like to ask some of them in, at times, but they might think it strange. I'm much obliged to you for coming in. It has made a very agreeable break in the day. I'm a little solitary, you know. If it were not for John I should be quite dull."

She got in the way, after this, of adding some little word over the 'phone, after the daily test of the wires, and finally she confessed that it was she who had called. Mr. George Whitman Rumford was greatly pleased at this. He laughed and chatted about it till Miss Nelson was obliged to ring off. He wanted to send her a little gift, but she refused—very gently—to receive it. He asked to take her to church Sunday evening, but she felt it to be best to refuse that courtesy, too. He inquired whether he might not call for her and escort her home. But she did not accord him the permission. He took these rebuffs sadly. One morning there was no response when she rang the bell, and after many trials she made out that John was making futile attempts to be heard. It was John who mumbled over the wires for four successive mornings.

Miss Nelson grew anxious, and called personally at the house. John came to the door, weeping.

"Mistake Rumford he pass 'way this mornin', m'm'm. He ask me over and over as to night, did you test the wires yet? He ought to be answering the 'phone. Mistake Rumford!"

Lida Nelson suffered a pang such as she had never felt before. It was remorse.

She went into the room where the undertaker and his assistants were, having just finished their sorry task, and she looked with penitence at the white face of the late first man she had ever known.

"I ought to have had less propriety, and more humanity," she said to herself.

It was Miss Nelson, John, two or three of the neighbors, and Mr. Rumford's man of business who took the black coffin to the place of the dead.

And the next week Miss Nelson had all the mystery solved. The man of business brought her a manuscript. It was written for her by the dead man, and it contained a simple story of a man whose money had brought him only isolation. With the manuscript was a gift.

"When you receive this," the donor had written: "I shall be where you cannot return it to me."

"My contemptible, selfish propriety!" scolded Lida Nelson. "My cowardly discretion! It's the biggest chance I ever had for giving happiness, and I missed it. I let it go."

She was glad when her circuit was changed, so that she would have no further occasion to ring up Six ninety-six, Main.—Chicago Tribune.

## A CORNER ON EGGS.

DAWSON'S main street presented a scene of stirring activity. A shipment, which had just arrived, was being hurriedly separated and carried to the several stores. They that had the money were anxious for the first pickings, while those without the root of all evil were impelled by curiosity. Every one seemed on the alert. From the number of citizens seen issuing from the door of "The Midnight Sun Saloon" it looked as if the game might have to suspend, temporarily, from lack of players. The arrival of a boat from down the river carrying new goods and papers and mail always caused a commotion in Dawson, a commotion which extended even to the gambling dens.

But there was one who, outwardly at least, failed to show the least excitement. Seated on a large packing box, with his heels gently drumming against its side, Backwater Sam viewed the confusion with stolid indifference. He had grown accustomed to the rapid changes in the life of Dawson, and nothing now appeared to arouse him. He seemed content to drag along in the wake of the new order of things. Sam was never possessed with a great amount of energy, but it was not until a certain misfortune befell his lot that he allowed himself to sink to his present state. He was not of the pushing, swearing, gambling crowd that overran the city, but one of the few who had dug and washed for gold before the stories of untold wealth drew all classes and conditions of men to the Klondike.

In the older days Dawson rated Sam as high, financially; but on account of his easy-going disposition and careful avoidance of all trouble his general standing was low, and the name, "Backwater Sam," was soon settled upon him. If he had any objection to being so styled he never made it known, either by word or action. He had money, and money is the power that moves all things. It moved Blue-Eyed Jennie, for when Sam asked her to share his cabin she jumped at the chance.

Jennie inclined toward show and dress, and with Sam's money at her disposal lost no time in dazzling Dawson's limited society. The storekeepers sent to Seattle, or Frisco, for special orders for her—for which they charged unheard of prices and the bills sometimes caused Sam's brow to contract and his lips to close tightly. But he was as clay in her hands. When he looked the blackest she would throw her arms about his neck, call him her "dear, handsome, generous Sam," and all would go well again. Sam considered her worth the price and was content.

Then came the rush, and Dawson changed almost in a night. New streets opened out, houses went up, and all became bustle and excitement. Among the first of the newcomers was a man who needed no introduction, "gambler" being stamped on his every feature and article of dress. If he had a name he did not consider it worth the while to make it known, and soon passed as "Handsome Diamond," a name derived, no doubt, from his clear-cut features and a generous supply of the precious stones. He opened "The Midnight Sun," and advertised a "wide open game." Better, by far, than the best paying game in the district: wealth simply rolled in, and, well, one day Blue-Eyed Jennie was wearing Handsome Diamond's diamonds, and Sam came into town with the stolid look upon his face that never left him afterward.

Sam would, no doubt, have remained seated on the box for an indefinite length of time, brooding over his troubles, had not the going at the "New Diamond" announced the fact that the "big dinner" was in progress. He had lately fallen into the habit of doing things mechanically. It was time to eat, so he took from his box and slouched up the street.

The "New Diamond" was the finest Dawson could boast of in the restaurant line, the proprietor claiming that it was not only "exclusive," but served, at moderate prices, all the market could furnish. The dignity of a menu card had not, as yet, been considered necessary, but the patrons were never allowed to remain in ignorance of the good things to be had. As Sam entered the room he was confronted by the freshly painted sign:

EGGS! EGGS!! EGGS!!!

The first in four weeks!

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You can't get 'em anywhere else, for we've took the whole shipment!

Of course, Sam wanted eggs. He ordered two, and then, looking steadily out of the window, again fell to brooding over Jennie's desertion. He wanted to "get even," but his mind could conceive of no plan that would be effective, and at the same time safe.

"Look, Handsome, eggs! Just think, eggs! Oh, I'm dead crazy for 'em!"

Sam knew the voice, and also the one that replied:

"And you can gamble you'll have all you want of 'em, Jen, even if I have to go in back for 'em."

Sam's muscles seemed to contract, and he straightened up with a jerk. A change came over his countenance, he had an idea—the opportunity for his long deferred revenge and the following conversation was carried on in subdued tones:

"I ordered two eggs."

"Guess I can't forget it."

"I want to increase the order."

"How many?"

"What's the stock?"

"Sixty-eight. A, that's me in."

"Then make her 68. I'll pay the bill."

"At a dollar a throw?"

"Don't care if they're ten dollars apiece! Hustle the order and you'll get 'em on the outside!"

The waiter made a flying trip to the kitchen and reported: "We've got 'em. I ordered the egg market. Now, how do you want 'em cooked?"

Sam thought for a moment. "Make it two fried," he said, "and bring the rest in covered dishes, so nobody gets any of 'em up." Then he leaned back, with just the suspicion of a smile, while Blue-Eyed Jennie, in anything but lady-like language, expressed her disappointment over the fact that the eggs "was out."

When the "two fried" arrived, accompanied by numerous mysterious covered dishes, there was a gasping sound from where Jennie sat, and then a deep silence, only broken by the clatter of Sam's knife and fork upon his plate.

With the disappearance of the last morsel Sam leaned back in his chair and allowed a sigh of contentment to escape his lips. Then he slowly arose, and carefully removing the covers, emptied the contents of each dish out of the window.

No Dawsonite ever considered Backwater Sam quick enough to class with Handsome Diamond, but as those within hearing stated afterward that the reports were so close as to sound like one shot, and as two men were laid in the cemetery the next day, it was conceded that "it was pretty near a dead heat on action."—N. O. Times-Democrat.

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## SOCIETY AND PERSONAL

H. C. Storms went to Buchanan today.

Prof. Fred H. Null will go to Niles tonight to play for a party.

Mr. and Mrs. George B. Warren went to South Bend this afternoon.

Mr. Hopper of Hopper, Morgan & company, of New York, is in the city.

Alderman W. H. Baker went to Chicago this afternoon on a business trip.

Miss Cora Robinson has gone to Hartford to attend a dance this evening.

Jake Enders and E. D. Morrow went to Detroit this morning for a short pleasure trip.

Mrs. L. Bailou who has been visiting her daughter Mrs. Fred Pike left this afternoon for Kalamazoo to visit her son.

Fred Waas, who has been visiting his parents at Wabash, has returned to his duties at the Hotel Benton barber shop.

Miss Martha Barber, elocution teacher at the college, was called to her home in New York, in response to a telegram which stated that her father was dying.

The R. C. C. were charmingly entertained at Miss Bertha Foettz's residence last night by Miss Edna Kessler. The Bell prizes were won by Miss Edna Kessler and Mrs. John F. Wilson and the second prizes by Miss Daisy Hinkle and Ed. Chrest. The club will meet next Wednesday with Miss Gusta Groff at her home on Main street, St. Joseph.

The Crickets held a very profitable and instructive meeting at the home of Mrs. Lander February 12. The program which was on "The Philippines" was in charge of Mrs. Edmunds. The members responded to roll call with political items. The following papers were given: "Types and Characteristics of the Philippines," Mrs. O. L. Allen; "Religion," Mrs. Hopper; on topics: "Customs," Miss Edmunds; "Modes of Travel," Mrs. Martin; "Literature," Mrs. Lander; character sketch, "Aguiinaldo," Mrs. Stahl. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Plimpton February 19.

The Congregational social held at the residence of Mrs. J. M. Athendinger last evening was an enjoyable affair and was well attended. The Misses Lila Herr and Clara Fields rendered a duet, Miss Clara Fields a piano solo, Mrs. Foster, Mrs. Pratt and Lew Hinkley a man, organ, guitar and piano selection. Miss Phranque Rowe rendered a piano solo which was so heartily received that she was forced to respond and Miss Plimpton closed the program with a piano solo. One of the most interesting features of the evening were the pictures obtained by J. O. Rowe in his recent trip to Paris. He explained the pictures and also gave a very interesting talk on Cuba. A chafing dish lunch was served by Mrs. Foster, Mrs. Pratt, Mrs. Haynes and Mrs. Taplin. The prize in the literary quiz was won by Milton Hinkley.

This being the 56th anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Morrill, they entertained the families of C. Morrill and George Cunningham of Benton Harbor at their home on Empire avenue in honor of the event. Four generations were represented at the gathering.

Harry Winters was surprised last evening by a company of twenty of his gentleman friends in honor of his seventeenth birthday. The evening was spent in games and elaborate refreshments were served. The guests departed at a late hour.

Mesdames Juan Hess, J. S. Barker, Harrison Eastman and Edson Stone very charmingly entertained 76 guests at the parlors of Mrs. Hess last evening. Joseph Edgumbe sang a bass solo very sweetly and replied to an encore. Miss Cora Osborn gave two piano solos. Miss Maude Kennedy sang, "Open Thy Lattice." Mrs. Charles Stone gave an exquisite interpretation of Steven Adam's "Holy City." Miss Cogshall gave a piano number. An elaborate luncheon was served in the dining room at 10 o'clock. Miss Grace Shauman poured and Mrs. P. W. Hall and Mrs. T. M. Kuykendall served. Various amusements were enjoyed, but the central attraction seemed to be the shooting with bows and arrows at a blood red heart as a target. The guests lingered until a late hour and seemed loth to depart and bid good night to their charming hostesses.

The L. O. T. M. will hold a reception tomorrow afternoon at the home of Mrs. Housen on High street.

### NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Wolverine sugar company, for the purpose of electing twelve (12) directors for the ensuing year and to transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting, will be held at the board of trade rooms in the city of Benton Harbor, on Thursday, March 1, 1900, at 2 o'clock p. m.

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### Social at Sodus Grange Hall

The ladies' aid society of Sodus Grange will give a valentine social at the Grange hall, Wednesday the 14th. There will be refreshments and various kinds of amusements, including a fish pond. A very fine program has been prepared and the public are cordially invited. 11412

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### HAM AND EGGS.

Herr Brothers' Window Suggests a Good Thing.

The city police were busy today keeping tramps from getting hungry. The way this was accomplished was to keep them away from the show window of Herr Brothers. In the window of this store is a large display of ham and eggs and it is reasoned that if a tramp got his eyes on the display that he would die of hunger in his tracks. Cho ce hams and fresh eggs. Mr. Herr says, are now so cheap that no one need go hungry. If the police had seen the price marks on the goods they would not have interfered with the tramps.

### GRAIN MARKET.

Following are the prices of grain and provisions on Chicago board of trade today furnished by E. W. Moore & Co., commission brokers:

Wheat—	Open's	High	Low	Close	Yest's
May.....	68½	69	68½	68¾	68¾
July.....	68½	69½	68½	69½	69½
Corn—					
May.....	34½	34½	34½	34½	34½
July.....	35	35½	35	35½	35½
Oats—					
May.....	23½	23½	23½	23½	23½
July.....	22½	22½	22½	22½	22½

Closing prices on the board today: May pork \$10.85 lard \$6.05 ribs \$5.97

### Explaining the Game.

"Would you like to attend the baseball game this afternoon?" asked the city girl of her country cousin who was visiting her.

"Indeed I would," was the reply. "I never saw a game in my life. How is it played?"

"I'll explain it to you," said the fair hostess. "You see it is a game in which grace and skill predominate. The thrower—or pitcher—a dear little fellow, stands in the middle of the block and throws a ball at another, who stands on one corner with a huge cane in his hand. The thrower tries to hit the cane and the other young man tries to swing his cane so that it will be impossible for the thrower to hit it with the ball. Some of the knockers can't get their canes out of the way quick enough, and when they get hit they have to drop the cane and play tag around the block; but most of the darlings can stand there and never get their canes hit once. The handsome fellow who wears a silver-plated toilet mask and stands just behind the knocker is called the catcher. He is just too delightfully brave for anything. We girls just dote on the catcher; he's so awfully cute and heroic."—Chicago Evening News.

### A Night of Terror.

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Upon due proof by affidavit that Henry Jones, defendant in the cause entitled Bertha Jones, comp't., vs Henry Jones, def't., now pending in this Court resides out of the said State of Michigan and in the State of Illinois, and on motion of Hamond & Hammond, Solicitors for Complainant, it is ordered that the said defendant do appear and answer the bill of complaint, filed in the said cause within four months from the date of this order, else the said bill of complaint shall be taken as confessed; And further, that this order be published within twenty days from this date in The Evening News, a newspaper printed, published and circulated in the said County of Berrien and be published therein once in each week for six weeks, in succession; such publication, however, shall not be necessary in case a copy of this order be served on the said defendant, personally, at least twenty days before the time herein prescribed for his appearance.  
Dated this 12th day of February, A. D. 1900.  
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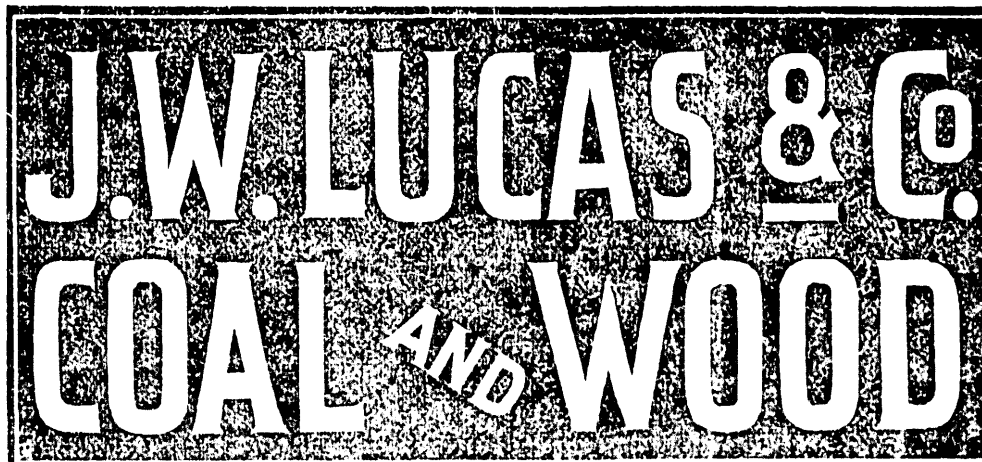
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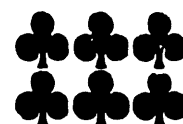
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